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Examiner Bainbridge

Applicant: Gordon T. Brown :

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 1997, please amend this application as follows.

Cancel Claim 18.

Claim 21, line 10, change "forms" to --from--.

<u>Remarks</u>

Claim 18 has been cancelled and Claim 21 has been amended to correct a typographical error kindly noted by the Examiner. It is submitted that the other questions raised by the Examiner as to the form of the claim are inappropriate. Further, it is submitted that the sole reference now relied upon does not make the claims obvious and that they are allowable, all for reasons stated in detail below.